

Last class:

Main results:

(a) division with remainder:

$a, b$  integers,  $b > 0$

$\Rightarrow \exists$  unique  $q$  and  $r$ ,  $0 \leq r < b$  s.t.

$$a = qb + r$$

(b)  $a, b$  integers  $\Rightarrow \exists$  integers  $s$  and  $t$  s.t.

$$\gcd(a, b) = as + bt$$

Def. (a) An integer  $a$  is called prime if its only divisors are  $\pm 1$  and  $\pm a$

(b) Two integers  $a$  and  $b$  are relatively prime if  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$

# Euclid's Lemma

$a, b$  integers,  $p$  prime

$$p \mid ab \Rightarrow p \mid a \text{ or } p \mid b$$

Proof. assume  $p \nmid a$

$$\Rightarrow \gcd(p, a) = 1$$

by previous result:  $1 = sa + tp$

for some integers  
 $s$  and  $t$

$$b = b \cdot 1 = b(sa + tp) \\ = abs + btp$$

obv.

$$p \mid btp$$

$$p \mid abs$$

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$$p \mid (abs + btp) = b$$

by ass.

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application:

## Theorem (Uniqueness of Prime Decomposition)

Any integer  $n$  can be written as a product of primes uniquely up to the order of the primes

(e.g.  $30 = 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 = 5 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \dots$ )

(proof later as needed)

proof of uniqueness statement depends on Euclid's lemma

# Modular Arithmetic

Question: Is  $1173 \cdot 2357$  odd or even?

answer: both numbers are odd

we know  $\text{odd} \cdot \text{odd} = \text{odd}$

make this mathematically precise

Def. let  $a, n$  be integers,  
 $n > 0$

We write  $a \bmod n = r$   
if  $a = qn + r$  with  $0 \leq r < n$

Examples:  
 $1173 \bmod 2 = 1$   
 $2357 \bmod 2 = 1$   
 $27 \bmod 12 = 3$

Lemma let  $a, b, n$  be integers,  $n > 0$

$$a \bmod n = b \bmod n \iff n \mid (a-b)$$

proof let  $a = q_1 n + r_1$   $0 \leq r_1, r_2 < n$

$$b = q_2 n + r_2$$

" $\implies$ " by assumption  $r_1 = r_2$   
 $\uparrow$   $\uparrow$   
 $a \bmod n$   $b \bmod n$

$$\begin{aligned} \implies a-b &= q_1 n + r_1 - (q_2 n + r_2) \\ &= (q_1 - q_2)n + \underbrace{r_1 - r_2}_{=0} \text{ by ass.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\implies n \mid (a-b)$$

$\Leftarrow$

(exercise

(can reverse steps from " $\implies$ ")

Theorem  $a, b, n$  integers,  $n > 0$

$$a \bmod n = r_1$$

$$b \bmod n = r_2$$

$\Rightarrow$

(a)  $a+b \bmod n = r_1+r_2 \bmod n$

(b)  $ab \bmod n = r_1 r_2 \bmod n$

Proof. (a) enough to show:  $n \mid a+b - (r_1+r_2)$

by lemma

$$a+b - r_1 - r_2 = \underbrace{(q_1 n + r_1)}_{=a} + \underbrace{(q_2 n + r_2)}_{=b} - r_1 - r_2$$

$$= q_1 n + q_2 n$$

$$= n(q_1 + q_2)$$

i.e.  $n \mid a+b - r_1 - r_2$



⑥ same strategy

$$a = q_1 n + r_1$$

$$b = q_2 n + r_2$$

$$ab - r_1 r_2 = (q_1 n + r_1)(q_2 n + r_2) - r_1 r_2$$

$$= q_1 q_2 n^2 + q_1 n r_2 + r_1 q_2 n + \cancel{r_1 r_2} - \cancel{r_1 r_2}$$

$$= n(q_1 q_2 n + q_1 r_2 + r_1 q_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow n \mid ab - r_1 r_2$$

Examples:

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$$n \text{ odd} \Leftrightarrow n \bmod 2 = 1$$

$$1173 \bmod 2 = 1$$

$$2357 \bmod 2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 1173 \cdot 2357 \bmod 2 = 1 \cdot 1 \bmod 2 = 1$$

$\Rightarrow$  product is also odd

② Calculate  $19^5 \pmod{17}$

Sol.  $19 \pmod{17} = 2$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow 19^5 \pmod{17} &= 2^5 \pmod{17} \\ &= 32 \pmod{17} \\ &= 15\end{aligned}$$

③ Calculate the last digit of  $3^{403}$

Sol. need to calculate  $3^{403} \pmod{10}$

$$3^2 \pmod{10} = 9 \pmod{10} = 9$$

$$3^3 \pmod{10} = 27 \pmod{10} = 7$$

$$3^4 \pmod{10} = 81 \pmod{10} = 1$$



$$3^{403} = 3^{4 \cdot 100 + 3}$$

$$= (3^4)^{100} \cdot 3^3$$

$$\Rightarrow 3^{403} \pmod{10} = (3^4)^{100} \cdot 3^3 \pmod{10}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 1^{100} \cdot 7 \pmod{10} \\ \text{theorem} \rightarrow &= 7 \end{aligned}$$

Remark: Calculating  $a^k \pmod{n}$  for high powers  $k$

is simplified by

- determine smallest number  $h$  s.t.  $a^h = 1 \pmod{n}$  (if possible)

, write  $k = qh + r \Rightarrow a^k = a^{hq+r}$

$$a^k \pmod n = a^{hq+r} \pmod n$$

$$= a^r \pmod n$$

$$a^{nh} \pmod n = 1!$$

(4) Prove that  $x^2 - y^2 = 1002$   
can not have any integer solutions!

Solution: Consider this equation mod 4

r.h.s. :  $1002 \pmod 4 = 2$

$x \pmod 4$	$x^2 \pmod 4$
0	0
1	1
2	0
3	1

$$4 \pmod 4 = 0$$

$$3 \pmod 4 = 1$$

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$x^2 \pmod 4$  is either  
0 or 1

Same for  $y^2 \pmod 4$

consider all possible cases

$x^2 \pmod 4$	$y^2 \pmod 4$	$x^2 - y^2 \pmod 4$
0	0	0
1	0	1
0	1	-1 mod 4 = 3
1	1	0

Result:  $x^2 - y^2 \pmod 4 \neq 2$

for any choice of integers  $x$  and  $y$

$\Rightarrow x^2 - y^2 = 1002$  does not have an integer solution.